## **Draft Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Technical Expert Selection Criteria**

The California Natural Resources Agency respectfully request tribal consultation and public comment on the draft Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Technical Expert Selection Criteria.

The draft Tribal Nature-Based Solutions grant guidelines provides for a multidisciplinary evaluation team to review project proposals. The California Natural Resources Agency may select technical experts to be part of the multidisciplinary evaluation team. California Native American tribes expressed in early consultation that technical experts selected should have one or more of the following expertise to support the Tribal Nature-Based Solutions program.

- Traditional Ecological Knowledge
- Cultural resources, sacred sites, and cemeteries and burial grounds protection
- Reburial and repatriation of ancestral remains and funerary items
- Tribal and federal Indian law and policy
- Climate resiliency
- Natural working lands management
- Conservation and restoration with a lens of protecting biodiversity
- Property acquisitions
- Coast and ocean law and policy
- Grant administration

The California Natural Resources Council will call for nominations and applications for individuals who have one or more of the above expertise to serve as technical experts. Candidates can either be nominated or self-apply to serve as a technical expert for the Tribal Nature-Based Solutions program. The goal is to seek a broad candidate pool to support the selection of top candidates to serve as technical experts to support this program. The California Natural Resources Council will review nominations and applications and select technical experts before the review of the first round of Tribal Nature-Based Solutions project proposals. Successful candidates will be able to show personal, academic, and/or professional experience in one or more of the above topics.

Technical experts may be compensated up to a one-hundred-dollar (\$100) per diem for each day spent reviewing and scoring grant applications and the actual, reasonable travel expenses to attend meetings may be made available at the discretion of the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.

The California Natural Resources Agency reserves the right to utilize state staff for the multidisciplinary evaluation team and as technical experts. Standard ethics rules apply for all multidisciplinary evaluation team members and technical experts.



## Draft Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Technical Expert Nomination and Application Form Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Candidate's Title: Candidate's Phone Number: Candidate's Email Address: Candidate's Mailing Address: Nominator's Name: Nominator's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator's Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator's Email Address: Nominator's Mailing Address: Please select one or more of the following areas of expertise of the candidate: Traditional Ecological Knowledge o Cultural resources, sacred sites, and cemeteries and burial grounds protection Reburial and repatriation of ancestral remains and funerary items Tribal and federal Indian law and policy Climate resiliency Natural working lands management Conservation and restoration with a lens of protecting biodiversity Property acquisitions Coast and ocean law and policy Grant administration o Other: \_\_\_\_\_



Please answer the below questions and limit responses to a page for each question.

1. Please explain the personal, academic, and/or professional experience the candidate has in the selected topics of expertise.

2. Please explain why the candidate's expertise will support the review of Tribal Nature-Based Solutions grant project proposals.

3. Please explain the candidate's interest and availability in serving as a technical expert for the Tribal Nature-Based Solutions program.

